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The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. THORNBERRY).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
October 24, 2002.

I hereby appoint the Honorable MAC THORNBERRY to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Reverend Dr. Ronald F. Christian, Pastor, Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Fairfax, Virginia, offered the following prayer:

The psalmist would remind us this day, bless the Lord, oh my soul and all that is within me, bless His holy Name. Bless the Lord, oh my soul, and forget not all His benefits.

Oh God, for whom the incessant sweep of the hands of our clocks is irrelevant and before whom all peoples will one day find themselves standing alone, we pause at this moment to pray and give thanks.

We pray that the least among us will not ever be abandoned.

We pray that the great among us will always lead with humility.

We pray that all may share in the resources of this land.

We pray for the children and for the defenseless of our communities that our individual efforts will be focused as much on the needs of others as they are on ourselves.

And we pray for new mothers and fathers that the privilege of parental guidance will be honored and accepted. But also, we give thanks!

We give thanks for the farmers who even on this day gather in the grain that we find nourishment from in the days ahead. We give thanks for protectors of society, the police, the fireman, and those guarding the land.

And we give thanks for hope that even in the darkened times, we can "forget not all Your benefits."

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 4 of rule I, Speaker pro tempore WOLF signed the following enrolled bills on Monday, October 21, 2002:

H.R. 669, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 127 Social Street in Woonsocket, Rhode Island, as the "Alphonse F. Auclair Post Office Building";

H.R. 670, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7 Commercial Street in Newport, Rhode Island, as the "Bruce F. Cotta Post Office Building";

H.R. 2245, for the relief of Anisha Goveas Foti;

H.R. 2733, to authorize the National Institute of Standards and Technology to work with major manufacturing industries on an initiative of standards development and implementation for electronic enterprise integration;

H.R. 3034, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 89 River Street in Hoboken, New Jersey, as the "Frank Sinatra Post Office Building";

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